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My Dear Son

Your letter received last week, & it is due you to say that it was quite lengthy-newsy & worth the postage.

I see by yesterdays Tribune that Col. Elisha B. Marshall died in Canandaigua on Friday. I will send the paper to Uncle Sherman. Did Mrs. L. go there from Bradford? Augusta & I are alone to-day. Papa went with Uncle D.H. to spend a day or two at the Cabin. He is not at all well, & I urged him to go thinking it might do him good. Mr Foley is away & there is no service, so we are home

quiet all day. Chester was over a while this morning. he rode out last evening on Pet, alone. Charles has set a 100 more Celery plants, & keeps the yard looking fine, cuts it twice a week, & the Plantin is all disappearing from the Croquet ground, Shearing it often seems to kill it out. Grandma is still away, but is expected home Tuesday night. Katie will leave here on Monday, I have no one in view, many are sending by Barnett, he is going down to get 12 this week. I may send, & you will have to overcome your dislike for the shade. I saw in the Courier an account of Uncle David Gannon's family gathering written by Floyd Rice, it was very nicely written.

I suppose this is your last week, hope you will come when your 4 weeks are up on Papa's account, & to do some things before you have to begin School. You know I want to go to Bradford when you get home, if I can get help to leave. Papa thinks he would enjoy going there better than any where else. Aunt Clara is going to the Seashore on Wednesday. Your horse has not been out of the stable since you left, only led around the yard a few times, Papa says they get exercise fighting flies, Tell Grandpa & Grandma to write when they can. Hope you will be careful about making them trouble. Many rides to Market with Charles & I every time, he misses you

Sweep has taken a notion not to let him come into the front yard - now there is no one to pet him there, as you did - makes him stay in the back yard. You can read this to Grandpa's folks & it will be the same as if written to them. Has Carrie Culver arrived in Bradford yet? LaRue talks of going to Bradford about the 20th of Aug - Robert has gone to Conn. Stony-Creek &c. Write once more & tell us when you are coming. Again I say - hope you will visit Uncle Willard on your way back. Augusta has not heard one word from Lucie yet, & she wrote her again by mail 2 weeks ago.

Love to all - Your

Mother

Col Marshall was
Dr. Richardson's brother-in
law. Mary was Dr's daughter.
Uncle Sherman, grandmother
Moran Crain brother.